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Abida Z. Ginai, M.D., Ph.D., F.R.C.R., Travels to Argentina through International Education Program

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OAK BROOK, Ill. — Radiologist Abida Z. Ginai, M.D., Ph.D., F.R.C.R., from Rotterdam, Netherlands, will bring her medical expertise to Argentina as part of the International Visiting Professor Program offered by the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA). The program fosters international relations among radiology societies to assist with medical education in developing and newly developed nations.

Dr. Ginai, associate professor at University Hospital, Erasmus Medical Center, will be joined by two fellow radiologists as she embarks September 21 on the 10-day trip. She will spend her visit giving presentations and teaching intensive seminars to members of the Argentine radiology societies and hospital radiology departments.

The program is mutually beneficial. The visiting team of radiologists informs local doctors and hospitals about the latest advances in diagnostic and therapeutic radiology. In turn, the visiting professors experience firsthand the obstacles faced by medical professionals in the host countries.

"I hope to impart imaging knowledge to the best of my ability so that the lectures, workshops and interactive teachings shall be considered a valuable addition to the routines of local radiologists," Dr. Ginai said. "It will also be an opportunity to learn from the experiences of our hosts."

Dr. Ginai is accompanied by Homer A. Macapinlac, M.D., from the University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston and Theresa C. McLoud, M.D., from Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. Locations of the presentations in Argentina include Deutsche Hospital, Fernandez Hospital and the Argentine Congress of Radiology meeting in Buenos Aires.

The International Visiting Professors Program was founded in 1986 and is administered by RSNA's Committee on International Relations and Education (CIRE).

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The RSNA Committee on International Relations and Education was established in 1986 to advise the RSNA on how the Society might provide international assistance to enhance radiologic education in countries requesting and requiring assistance. (<u>RSNA.org/International/CIRE</u>)